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## PITTSBURG MINING CO. FINE CARBONATE VEIN

Morganfield Mining Company's Rich Find. Rail  
Road News from Across the River.

LEAD \$63.00, THE HIGHEST IN TEN YEARS.

Joplin, Mo., Dec. 17.—The advent of a new ore buyer for the St. Louis Smelting and Refining Company gave the producers of lead ores in this district additional money for Christmas presents. The buyers went into the field this week and by Friday had purchased one lot of ore at \$31.50 per 1,000 pounds, the highest price ever paid in this district for lead ore in ten years past. Indications now point to the same excited conditions arising in the lead market as has existed during the fall in the zinc ore market. With the demand for Missouri brands of pig lead, which has been manifested during the past sixty days, the price has steadily increased until \$30.50 was paid recently for one immense lot of lead ore from the Ten O'Clock property near Webb City. That was thought to be the limit on lead ores in this district, since they carry no other values as do the lead ores produced in the West. Now, with the new buyers competing with the local smelters, for the production of this district, there is apparently reason to believe that the prices will go even higher, for the local smelters have the natural advantages in freights in their favor. The coming week, then, is expected to develop some interesting features in the lead ore markets. The general price last week was \$58.

The zinc market has been of satisfactory strength. This week the top price paid for ore was \$50 as against \$49 paid last week. The assay basis has varied from \$45 to \$47 per ton, being unchanged during the fortnight. Last week's shipments of lead and zinc ore were the heaviest in value of the year, having even passed the previous week's record by \$7,380. The zinc ore market is strong and in face of the present high prices for spelter which are ruling on the St. Louis market it is not believed that a marked decline will occur during the remainder of the present year. The first cold weather of the year has come, which may effect the production to some extent. The holiday season is also

likely to reduce production, and as result these developments may reduce the tonnage produced, all of which will be of strengthening effect. Conditions throughout the district, therefore, are generally satisfactory, as the demand of properties and mining lands indicates. During the past week or ten days several small deals have been consummated, and on tract, including a portion of the 240 acres locally known as the Wilson and Wear tract, was sold to Byron Ash and James Luke of Carthage for \$60,000. The Danville Lead and Zinc Company of Danville, Ill., has also taken over several properties in the vicinity of Joplin.

The Little Jim, on the Columbia vein, still keeps in very rich ore, and they are mining about 15 or 20 tons per day.

The Joplin lead ore market has touched \$63 per ton, forced up by new buyers in the field. Zinc is still selling at \$50; base price \$35 to \$47.

The Ky. Fluor Spar company is pushing its mines for all their worth now and is working some of them night and day to get a good supply of spar on hand before the roads get bad.

Our Carville correspondent writes: The main shaft in the Schoolfield-Speers mines has been sunk to the depth of 100 feet. After the timbers have been put in a drift will be begun. Not, however, till after the holidays.

We understand that Mr. W. C. Uren made an inspection of the Pittsburgh mine, owned by the Pittsburgh Mining company, on the widow Ebba Hodge farm, in the western part of this county last week and at the one hundred foot level he found it contained a fine vein of carbonate of zinc, 33 feet wide. This mine is 8 miles west of Marion. There is also a fine showing of fluor spar on the surface. Mr. F. B. Mooda, Lake City, Florida, is one of the stockholders.

The Louisville-Marion Mining Co. is sinking a new shaft at the mine on the White property. This shaft will come down on a large vein of fluor spar, at a depth of 20 feet, so Supt. Persons says.

The Columbia is running its mill every day and is turning out a large amount of lead and zinc. The lower level is much richer with mineral than the one above, showing richest body of ore is below. Half of the mineral in the bottom of the shaft will go 80 per cent metallic zinc, and if was not for the large per centage of lead that it carries it would not have to go to the mill at all but straight to the smelter.

The vein of carbonate struck by Bob King on the Morganfield Mining company's property at the old LaRue shaft, is showing up fine. It is a very high grade carbonate and it appears to run parallel with the LaRue vein. This will make property along the LaRue vein much more valuable. Those who already own property and have mines on the LaRue vein will get the benefit of this new carbonate vein. The lucky ones are the Big Four Mining Co., Morganfield Mining Co., Deer Creek Mining Co., Glendale Mining Co., and Commodore Mining Co., all of which are on the LaRue vein. This gives the Commodore people five different veins, as their property is located to catch some cross veins.

The vein of carbonate that was uncovered a week or ten days ago by the Pittsburgh Mining company is on the Ebba Hodge property, and runs parallel with the Marion Break vein, about 50 feet on the west side. It is reported that the vein is 38 feet wide and is solid carbonate. Most of the stockholders were here last week and visited the mines; they were all well pleased with the rich discovery of the immense vein of carbonate. The company held a meeting in Marion before they left and decided to put in new machinery as soon as the winter weather breaks and open up a number of places. It is also reported that the company intends to buy all the property that joins their mine along the same vein. It appears that the more work that is done the more discoveries are made, and is a strong proof that Western Kentucky is one of the richest lead and zinc fields in America. It is known the world wide it is the best fluor spar field in the world, both in quantity and quality, and the only one in America.

Mr. F. M. Barnard, Supt of the Pittsburgh Mining Co. was with us last week looking after their mining properties here, having with him Colonel Brown, an expert from Colorado Springs. They in company with H. D. Wolford visited many of our best mines, and of course they could not visit all, as the time was limited. After leaving Salem were driven out to the great Cullen mine. There meeting Mr. Hearne, President of Egle Fluor Spar company; were kindly shown through this large mill and were perfectly astonished, not thinking of seeing such machinery and such valuable ore in this country. From this place was driven to Riley mines; there he also found a large mill and a fine vein of lead and fluor spar. He was driven to Ebba Hodge mine; there it was his business to examine the vein thoroughly, as this belongs to the Pittsburgh Mining company. He was taken down the shaft 100 feet to see and examine the vein as it really was. There he reports extra fine vein of lead and zinc between solid walls, it being one among the richest veins in western Kentucky and far

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beyond his expectation. After getting through with this examination drove by the way of the Old Jim to the Columbia, there finding a large mill in operation, which seemed to be doing perfect work. After spending some time there as a visitor was then driven to Marion to take train to Pittsburgh, thanking the managers of these mines for their courtesies to them.

Mr. Miller said last evening he was much impressed with the Marion section as a whole. He has always felt there should be co-operation between labor and capital he continued, but he had never seen any better illustration of the mutual dependence of these two forces of industry. If capital had half as much nerve and determination as was possessed by the muscle that was at work searching

out the wealth of this mineral country, this would become one of the richest and most prosperous sections of the country.

Mr. Miller said, however, that he could see this country was sadly handicapped by lack of transportation facilities. It could not be developed right until freight could be transported. There should be a railway or turnpike. If either were constructed there would be marvelous development. Pending the construction there should by all means be a wagon road so the mines could get machinery cheaply, and get their product to the railroad all the year round. This is the crying need of this section, said Mr. Miller, and he expressed himself as being much disappointed that the road matter had been delayed too long to do much this season.

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## MINERAL LANDS FOR SALE.

I have about 4,000 acres of mineral land in Hardin and Pope counties, Ill., and claim to have 50 miles of fissure vein mineral in this holding, with 35 cross veins with about 100 open cuts and shafts down, with mineral showing in all of these.

I have the following mineral: Zinc, lead, fluor-spar, oxide of cobalt, manganese, nickel copper, silver and barytes.

The railroad company are now securing the right-of-way for a railroad through the heart of this mineral belt and say they are ready to begin building the road.

I know every vein of mineral in these two counties, and what they are and where the largest deposits are and am ready to serve all comers, and can sell you first-class mineral so cheap it will surprise you.

Chas. R. Montgomery,  
Elizabethtown, Ill.